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Docket No.: 21298 US (C038435/0183236)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Tatsuo HOSHINO *et al.*

Serial No.: 10/518,530

371(c) Date: June 20, 2005

For: **PROCESS FOR PRODUCING  
CAROTENOIDS**

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Examiner: I. Marx

Art Unit: 1651

New York, New York  
July 30, 2009

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION INCLUDING  
AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 9, 2009, which set a three-month shortened statutory period for response. A two-month extension of time to respond to the Final Office Action is hereby requested. Accordingly, this response is filed timely upon mailing, with an executed certificate of mailing, on or before August 10, 2009, because August 9<sup>th</sup> falls on a Sunday. 37 CFR §§ 1.7, 1.8, and 1.136. Enclosed is a check for the extension of time fee in an amount of \$490.00. 37 CFR § 1.17.

Please charge any required or missing fees not otherwise authorized for payment or paid by check to Deposit Account No. 02-4467. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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